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JUNE 8 START-UP SUCCESSFUL, PROGRESS STILL BEING MADE

Smog Check technicians and stations are successfully using their new BAR-97 Emission Inspection Systems (EISs), and various software issues that developed during start-up are smoothing out.

"Technicians and the BAR-97 EIS equipment are beginning to work well together, and software glitches are being resolved," said Department of Consumer Affairs, Bureau of Automotive Repair (DCA/BAR) Chief Marty Keller.

Keller said that in the weeks since technicians began using the BAR-97 EIS, there have been the routine "shake-out" type of start-up glitches expected when a new program begins, and one significant problem surfaced for new and used car dealers.

Vehicles registered in Enhanced Areas purchased by new/used car dealers at auctions cannot receive a 2-speed idle Smog Check certification in a Basic Area. As a result, DCA/BAR will allow Gross Polluter Certification (GPC) Pilot stations to conduct Smog Checks on these vehicles using the following procedures:

- The new/used car dealer must complete the appropriate parts of the "New/Used Car Dealer Request for Basic Inspection" form and present it to the GPC technician.
- The GPC Smog Check technician must complete the dealer information and vehicle information portions of the "New/Used Car Dealer Request for Basic Inspection" form.
- The GPC Smog Check technician must conduct a Two-Speed Idle (TSI) test on the vehicle including a visual, functional and emission test.
- Once the test is completed, the GPC Smog Check technician attaches the completed "New/Used Car Dealer

Request for Basic Inspection" form to the Vehicle Inspection Report (VIR).

In addition, the completed forms must be retained for three years, and GPC stations are prohibited from performing Smog Checks on any other Enhanced Area vehicles, or conducting the tests without completing the Request for Basic Inspection form.

In other start-up week related news:

- about 1/3 of all tests being done in the first week were Two-Speed Idle rather than ASM, but the number declined as the program continued;
- the first clean-piping case in the new program was uncovered in Los Angeles where four vehicles were illegally certified;
- some last-minute technicians took the 8-hour Transition Training class, and when completion was verified they were entered into the Vehicle Information Database immediately;
- some Test-Only stations in some locations were extending their hours to accommodate their customers;
- calls asking for low-income assistance information began on Monday, June 8 and increased to about 40 per day during start-up week;
- one Gross Polluter Certification Pilot station in Fresno was decertified;
- calls to the DCA Consumer Information Center (CIC) from motorists increased to 2,400 on Monday and Tuesday during start-up week, but declined to 2,000 by Friday... Saturday calls totaled 755... only 3 percent were upset and nine complained about fuel cap failures.

"We've prepared a long time for this and it's gratifying that our resolve to make this program work is paying off." Keller said. 🚗

The Start-Up of ASM Testing in California

While the start-up date for Accelerated Simulation Mode (ASM) testing in the Enhanced Areas of California was originally scheduled for March 1, 1998, and then May 1—the date eventually slipped to June 8 for a variety of reasons.

As Smog Check stations and technicians struggled to get their new BAR-97 Emission Inspection Systems (EISs) installed, initialized, and ready for ASM testing, BAR officials monitored activities statewide throughout the first few months of the year.

BAR found that demand for dynamometers was so great that manufacturers were unable to meet delivery and service demands in time to meet the March 1 deadline. After consultation with auto repair industry officials, equipment manufacturers, and BAR, the March 1 start date was changed to May 1, and BAR continued to monitor events.

After extensive field surveys and data analysis in the Enhanced Smog Check Areas, BAR engineers and operations officials also found that in the week of April 14—just two weeks before the revised scheduled start date—equipment and service demands at many of the stations surveyed were still below the level needed to prepare stations for ASM testing.

The BAR survey showed that 1/3 of the stations did not have dynamometers connected to BAR-97 units, and only 47 percent had successfully transmitted their critical first ASM test to BAR's Vehicle Information Database (VID). At the same time, nearly 57 percent of stations surveyed said they were waiting for service calls due to mal

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Untestable Vehicles Require Special Handling

Some vehicles cannot be tested on a dynamometer because of factory installed, non-disengageable Traction Control or All Wheel Drive systems and require special handling (see ET blast messages and recent *Smog Check Advisory* stories for instructions). Others cannot be tested due to modifications that occurred after the vehicle was manufactured, or because of unsafe conditions.

"We developed a chart and other information to help technicians identify and handle these untestable vehicles," said George Adelsperger, Manager of BAR's Manuals and Publications Branch.

If a vehicle has a fuel leak, bald drive axle tire, bent wheel on the drive axle, or other unsafe condition, for technician safety, unsafe **vehicles should be repaired with the customer's authorization** before the technician attempts to test the vehicle. The repair costs spent by a consumer to make his or her vehicle testable *do not* apply toward waiver limits.

If modifications, such as a change in chassis height, or unusual wheels or tires, prevent a vehicle from fitting on the dynamometer, technicians should refer the customer to a Consumer Assistance and Referee Center (800) 622-7733. In addition, record the reason that the vehicle is untestable on the invoice and give the customer a copy.

If the drive axle tires are considerably larger or smaller in diameter than original equipment tires, technicians should still attempt an Acceleration

Simulation Mode (ASM) test. If the engine speed cannot be stabilized, refer the vehicle to a Consumer Assistance and Referee Center. Again, record the reason that the vehicle is untestable on the invoice and give the customer a copy. The Referee will then likely perform a two-speed idle (TSI) test.

On the other hand, if the vehicle's engine speed can be stabilized, technicians may proceed with the ASM test. If the vehicle fails for high emissions, however, be aware that the tire size may be the cause. Require the vehicle owner to correct the tire size *only* if it is necessary to repair an emissions-related failure.

If the technician finds that a vehicle is too large to be placed on the dynamometer in his or her building, refer the vehicle to another licensed Smog Check station with adequate room to conduct the test, or the Referee.

If a vehicle is equipped for use by a disabled person, and does not retain conventional controls that would allow a technician to perform an ASM test, document the situation and refer the vehicle to a Consumer Assistance and Referee Center. The Referee will perform a two-speed idle test and mark the VID so that future two-speed idle tests on the vehicle can be performed at licensed stations.

"Again, we recommend that technicians use the information on the BAR Web Page or the table attached to this article any time they have a question about how to handle an untestable vehicle," Adelsperger said. 🚗

Change of Name and Address Notification Required

Licensees who change their name and/or address are required to notify DCA/BAR's Licensing Division within 14 days. Here's how to do it.

- Put the change in writing and forward it along with your original Automotive Repair business license and all associated station licenses (a photocopy of the business license may be posted at the place of business until the new license arrives) or,
- Contact DCA/BAR's Licensing Division at (916) 322-4000 to request a change of name/address form.
- When you receive the form, complete and mail it, along with your original Auto Repair Dealer business license and all associated station licenses (a photocopy of the business license may be posted at the place of business until the new license arrives), to:

**Licensing Division
400 R Street, Suite 3080
Sacramento, CA 95814**

Technicians To Use Enhanced Program Procedures

Copies of the *Enhanced Program Inspection Procedures* were recently sent to each licensed station in Enhanced Areas, all technicians with EA licenses, and EU licensed technicians with addresses in Enhanced Areas, so that they will be prepared for Acceleration Simulation Mode (ASM) testing. The *Enhanced Program Inspection Procedures* were added as Part IV of the *Smog Check Inspection Manual*.

Each ASM inspection includes the same visual inspection, regardless of vehicle mileage or reason for the inspection. Here are some highlights to remember:

- a full visual inspection is required, just as for a BAR-90 inspection;
- functional tests are required for Malfunction Indicator, Fuel Cap, and sometimes for Fill-pipe Restrictor;
- functional Ignition Timing is only required for vehicles more than five years old and/or with more than 70,000 miles except vehicles with nonadjustable timing;
- functional testing of EGR systems **is not required for vehicles tested as ASM. Remember, some vehicles cannot be ASM-tested, and therefore only require a two-speed idle (TSI) test** (See related story this page).

Pages 104 through 115 of the *Enhanced Program Inspection Procedures* give further details, and BAR representatives suggest that technicians and shop owners review these steps before conducting ASM testing. 🚗

If you're a Smog Check technician at a testing site, ask the test proctor for a Change of Candidate Information form, fill it out and return it to the proctor. 🚗



If Vehicle Appears Untestable on Dynamometer

TYPE/CONDITION OF VEHICLE	WHAT TO DO	ADDITIONAL ADVICE
Traction Control with disengagement switch.	Proceed with ASM test ONLY IF the ASM test procedure is consistent with the manufacturer's specifications*	Refer to Important Advisory dated 5/1/98, ET messages, and detailed information on the Smog Check Web Page (www.smogcheck.ca.gov)
Traction Control without disengagement switch, or Full-time Four-Wheel Drive	If unable to disengage these features, stop ASM test and run a two-speed idle test. Do not disengage except as specified by the manufacturer.*	Refer to Important Advisory dated 5/1/98, ET messages, and detailed information on the Smog Check Web Page (www.smogcheck.ca.gov)
Vehicle untestable due to unsafe condition, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fuel leak • bent wheel or bald tire on drive axle 	Reject the vehicle. Technicians are not required to test unsafe vehicles.	Advise consumer to repair vehicle so that it meets all testable conditions. Repair costs to make the vehicle testable on the BAR-97 do not apply toward waiver limits.
Other chassis or wheel condition prevent vehicles from fitting on dynamometer.	Refer the vehicle to the Referee. Referee may perform two-speed idle test.	Record the reason that the vehicle is untestable on the invoice and give the customer a copy.
Drive axle tires are considerably larger or smaller in diameter than original equipment.	Perform ASM test, if engine speed can be stabilized. If vehicle fails for high emissions, the tire size may be the cause of the failure.	Recommend correct tire size only if necessary to repair an emissions-related failure.
Engine speed cannot be stabilized because drive axle tires are considerably larger or smaller in diameter than original equipment.	Refer the vehicle to the Referee. Referee may perform two-speed idle test.	Record the reason that the vehicle is untestable on the invoice and give the customer a copy.
Vehicle is too large to place on the dynamometer.	Refer the vehicle to another licensed Smog Check station with adequate room to test the vehicle.	
Vehicle equipped for use by disabled person and has no conventional controls.	Refer the vehicle to the Referee. Referee may perform two-speed idle test and mark the VID to allow for future two-speed idle tests at licensed stations.	Record the reason that the vehicle is untestable on the invoice and give the customer a copy.

**Never run an ASM test unless the ASM test procedure is consistent with the manufacturer's specifications.*

Determining the Type of Test Vehicles Require

The Vehicle Information Database (VID) determines the type of emission test vehicles require based on the matrix shown (right).

Vehicle Registration ZIP	Station ZIP	Analyzer Type	Required Test Type
Enhanced	Enhanced	BAR-97	ASM*
Basic (Biennial or Change of Ownership)	Enhanced	BAR-97	Two-Speed Idle (TSI)
Basic	Basic	BAR-90	TSI
Enhanced	Basic	BAR-90	ASM. Do NOT perform TSI; refer customer to station with BAR-97 ASM equipment.
Basic	Basic	BAR-97	TSI
Enhanced	Basic	BAR-97	ASM*

ASM Testing

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functioning equipment.

“Months ago BAR recognized the need for technicians to become familiar with the BAR-97 before ASM testing became mandatory,” said BAR Chief Marty Keller. “We consistently advocated that position, and delaying the start of the mandatory ASM testing by five weeks provided that opportunity.”

In the two weeks following BAR’s April 14 surveys, BAR-97 equipment manufacturers installed nearly 1,000 BAR-97 EIS units. A flurry of installation related service calls followed, but by May 18, BAR’s surveys showed those calls had declined from 57 percent to 27 percent.

Likewise, the comfort level technicians felt with the new equipment soared to 91 percent and the number of stations that did not have dynamometers connected to BAR-97 EIS units dramatically decreased to less than one percent by the week of May 18. Moreover, stations that had successfully transmitted their required first ASM test to the VID had increased to 84 percent during the same time period.

To expedite service calls, shortly after the surveys were completed BAR began tracking complaints against equipment manufacturers. Of the 101 complaints against the three major manufacturers tracked, 86 had been resolved by the end of May.

In addition, while many of BAR’s start-up concerns had been resolved by June 1, only 45 percent of stations had indicated they did not have a BAR-certified cooling fan. The fans are a required piece of BAR-97 EIS equipment, and are necessary to prevent engine overheating during ASM testing when ambient temperatures reach 72 degrees Fahrenheit or higher. Failure to install and use the fans could result in engine damage to vehicles, liability for the station, and citations by BAR representatives.

“For the Enhanced Smog Check program to become an accepted part of California’s car-oriented lifestyle—as the BAR-90 program did—motorists must have convenient access to a

Little Scoops

- ▲ Although not included in the BAR-97 specifications, technicians are encouraged to use tie-downs for all Acceleration Simulation Mode (ASM) testing to prevent tire scrubbing against side rollers on dynamometers, as well as “wandering” by front-wheel drive vehicles.
- ▲ The type of inspection required for a vehicle is determined by its registration address ZIP code. Determining which station can test such vehicles is controlled by the VID, using the vehicle registration ZIP code, the station location, and its type of test equipment. (See related article and chart on page 3.)
- ▲ Stations in Basic Areas should check the vehicle’s registration ZIP code against a ZIP code list to make sure they don’t start an inspection they cannot finish.
- ▲ If the vehicle owner insists that the vehicle is now “garaged” in a Basic Area, direct the vehicle owner to DMV for address correction. Once DMV’s records are corrected, the VID will be updated.
- ▲ Do your best to enter vehicle information accurately. If the vehicle does not match a record in the VID, an ASM test is **REQUIRED**.
- ▲ If the vehicle registration does not match the VIN and/or license plate number on the vehicle, direct the vehicle owner to DMV for correction. Once DMV’s records are corrected, the VID will be updated.
- ▲ For vehicles not in the VID, such as those previously registered outside of California, the type of test required will depend on the location of the station.
- ▲ BAR-97 systems default to ASM tests being required for vehicles tested “off-line.”
- ▲ The \$450 Repair Cost WAIVER applies statewide beginning June 8. A waiver can be issued only after **at least \$450 has been spent** on emissions-related repairs. Repair Cost Waivers can be obtained by making an appointment at a Consumer Assistance and Referee Center at (800) 622-7733.
- ▲ Effective June 8, Economic Hardship Extensions are available **ONLY** to qualified low-income vehicle owners, who must be within 175% of the federal poverty level (about \$29,000 for a family of four). Eligible owners will need an **estimate** from a test and repair station stating that emissions related repairs would exceed \$250. **Repairs costing less than \$250 must be made.** Refer inquiries about the Economic Hardship Extension to CIC at (800) 952-5210.
- ▲ Approved cooling fans must be used when the shop’s ambient air temperature exceeds 72 degrees Fahrenheit. The air flow shall be directed toward the front of the vehicle to supply cool air to the vehicle’s cooling system.
- ▲ Pre-screening of fuel caps is allowed. Bad caps can be detected, and the replacement caps tested, before starting an official BAR-97 ASM test.
- ▲ Bypass the fuel cap test for 1977-93 Hondas with non-threaded gas caps by selecting “No Adapter Available” into the BAR-97 EIS. Bypassing this test for other vehicles is not authorized, and doing so is grounds for enforcement action.

Smog Check station with the correct, properly functioning equipment and a properly trained technician who is comfortable operating that equipment,” Keller added. “Delaying the program a few months to ensure that these conditions were met will greatly

benefit California’s motorists, protect the long-term investment of Smog Check stations in this program, and improve the overall quality of our air.”




DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS AND CITATIONS



Here is a list of citations issued and disciplinary actions taken against Smog Check stations and technicians over the last several months.

Previously, this information has been published in the *Repair Reporter*, the Department of Consumer Affairs', Bureau of Automotive Repair's sister publication for all automotive repair dealers. However, violations of the Smog Check program laws and regulations will now be published monthly in the *Smog Check Advisory*. Under Business and Professions Code Section 9882.4, the DCA/BAR is required to publish disciplinary actions taken against licensees and registrants. Since the *Repair Reporter* has traditionally been published only twice a year, a backlog of unpublished

citations and disciplinary actions has occurred, resulting in the untimely release of information to the public and industry.

While the *Smog Check Advisory* will publish only violations of the laws and regulations by Smog Check stations and technicians, the *Repair Reporter* will continue to publish violations by other auto repair stations and technicians engaged in general auto repair work. In addition, plans are being made to publish the *Repair Reporter* quarterly rather than semi-annually as a result of industry recommendations made at joint BAR/Industry workshops on automotive-related issues held statewide in March and April. 

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

AARDVARK AUTO SALES — Fontana, JACK WILLIAM GERDES, JR. — Owner
Order: ARD registration revoked; revocation stayed; 2 years probation on the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; report any financial interest in any auto repair facility; pay BAR \$6,000.00. Smog Check Station License revoked. (09/16/97)

ANTELOPE AUTOMOTIVE — Lancaster, MICHAEL DELLOLIO, Partner/Employee, JOSEPH DELLOLIO, Partner
Order: ARD registration revoked; revocation stayed; 3 years probation on the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; report any financial interest in any auto repair facility; pay BAR \$4,376.40; Smog Check Station License revoked. **Michael Dellolio** — Smog Check Technician License revoked. (12/15/97)

AVALON AUTO REPAIR — Los Angeles, AMILCAR PEREZ, Owner
Order: Application for Smog Check Station License denied; Application for ARD granted; ARD immediately revoked; revocation stayed; 3 years probation on the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; report any financial interest in any auto repair facility. (09/02/97)

B AUTO REPAIR — Long Beach, ALICE MARTANEGARA, Owner
Order: ARD registration and Smog Check Station License revoked. (09/08/97)

B AUTO REPAIR — Long Beach, BAY VAN DOAN, Owner
Order: ARD registration and Smog Check Station License revoked. (09/22/97)

BILL AUTO REPAIR — Oakland, WILLIAM RELIFORD, Owner
Order: ARD registration permanently invalidated. (08/28/97)

BMW MERCEDES & OTHER FINE AUTOS — Montebello, RAFAEL CUELLAR, Owner
Order: ARD registration and Smog Check Station License revoked; pay BAR \$9,569.33. (12/23/97)

BROWN'S AUTO REPAIR — Modesto, LARRY ALLEN BROWN, Owner
Order: ARD registration and Smog Check Station License revoked; revocation stayed; 3 years probation on the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; report any financial interest in any auto repair facility; Smog Check Station License suspended for a period of fifteen (15) days; post a sign stating reasons for suspension; pay BAR \$6,500.00; inform Bureau in writing of any change of place of business and place of residence within fifteen (15) days thereafter; notify Bureau of dates of departure and return when leaving California for any period. (09/16/97)

CAMACHO, RODOLFO TOLENTINO — Crestline
Order: Application for an Advanced Emission Specialist Technician License is denied. (12/23/97)

DELANO SMOG & TUNE — Delano, AUGUSTINE MARTINEZ, Owner
Order: ARD registration and Smog Check Station License revoked; Smog Check Technician License revoked. (10/27/97)

EL SOBRANTE AUTO SERVICE San Pablo, HASHIM EDALATI, Owner/Employee; JOSE LEON MINGURA, Employee
Order: ARD registration permanently invalidated; Smog Check Station License revoked; **Edalati**, Smog Check Technician License revoked; pay BAR \$6,842.84; **Mingura**, Smog Check Technician License revoked; pay BAR \$3421.42. (10/27/97)

ENGINEERS AUTO ENTERPRISE, d.b.a. ENGINEERS AUTO ENTERPRISES Hayward, NAJIB AHMADYAR, President/Employee
Order: Smog Check Station License revoked; Official Lamp & Brake Station License revoked; Unlimited Smog Check Technicians License revoked; Lamp & Brake Adjuster license revoked; ARD registration revoked; revocation stayed; 3 years probation on the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR

quarterly; report any financial interest in any auto repair facility; pay BAR \$4,260.00. (09/02/97)

FISH, DWAIN EDWARD — Atwater
Order: Smog Technician License (Basis Area Technician License) may be issued to applicant Dwain Edward Fish, subject to probationary conditions, as follows; Smog Check Technician License suspended for a period of ninety (90) days; suspension stayed; 2 years probation on the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly. (07/24/97)

FONTANA SMOG STOP — Fontana, SAWSAN KAMAL FAKHOURY, Owner LARRY DUANE HOLDER, Employee
Order: **Holder** — Smog Check Technician License revoked. New advanced emission specialist technician license shall be issued to respondent upon full compliance with licensure requirements, provided, however, that said license shall be revoked, revocation stayed, and respondent placed on probation for 2 years upon the following terms and conditions, including the following: obey laws and regulations, report to BAR quarterly. (09/11/97)

FRANK SMOG TUNE — Fresno, FRANCISCO PONCE BAZAN, Owner
Order: ARD registration permanently invalidated; invalidation stayed; 3 years probation on the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; report any financial interest in any auto repair facility; Pay BAR \$14,322.23 and represent the same amount to be paid as part of the probationary order in the criminal action; Smog Check Station License permanently invalidated; Smog Check Technician License permanently invalidated. (09/22/97)

GOLDEN AUTO SERVICE Los Angeles, FELIPE PEREZ, Owner
Order: ARD registration and Smog Check Station License revoked; pay BAR \$3,846.97. (12/01/97)

HACCO OF LAFAYETTE — Lafayette, YI WEN TSANG, Owner; CESAR G.

CESARDO, Employee

Order: ARD registration revoked; revocation stayed; 2 years probation on the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; report any financial interest in any auto repair facility; pay BAR \$4,834.84; Smog Check Station License revoked. **Cesardo** - Smog Check Technician License revoked; pay BAR \$4,834.84. (09/08/97)

HANJO SMOG & AUTO — Vista, JOSEPH PETER RATOWSKI, Owner

Order: ARD registration revoked; revocation stayed; 2 years probation on the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; pay BAR \$4,000.00; Smog Check Station License revoked; Smog Check Technician License revoked. (10/16/97)

HARBOR AUTOMOTIVE — Santa Ana, LATIFA KOUCHEBIN SAIGHANI, Owner
Order: ARD registration revoked; Smog Check Station License revoked. (10/27/97)

HIGHWAY AUTO CENTER

Los Angeles, SUK HWAN OU, Owner
ROY MELENDEZ CLOUD, Employee

Order: ARD permanently invalidated; Smog Check Station License revoked.

Melendez — Smog Check Technician License revoked. (09/22/97)

HUNTINGTON BEACH SERVICE & SMOG — Huntington Beach,

TONY TAN NGUYEN, Partner/Employee;
BARBARA LISA PHAM, Partner

Order: ARD registration and Smog Check Station License revoked; revocation stayed; 3 years probation on the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; report any financial interest in any auto repair facility; Smog Check Station License suspended for a period of three (3) days; post a sign stating reasons for suspension; pay BAR \$4,000.00; if respondent Nguyen applies for licensure as an Advanced Emission Specialist or as a Basic Area Technician and if respondent Nguyen meets all prerequisites for such licensure, the Bureau may issue the license, revoke the license, stay the revocation and place the license on three years probation on the following terms: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; as a condition precedent to respondent's re-licensure, respondent shall provide proof to the Bureau that respondent Huntington Beach made full and complete reimbursement to the Bureau for cost recovery or that respondent Huntington Beach is in compliance with its condition of probation requiring reimbursement for cost recovery. Respondent's failure to provide such proof shall be grounds for the Bureau's denial of re-licensure. Respondent Nguyen may elect to undertake the reimbursement of cost recovery, if the full amount of four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) or the unpaid portion thereof, and such action shall con-

stitute respondent's compliance with the condition precedent. (10/06/97)

KAABIPOUR, EBRAHIM — San Jose

Order: Application for a Smog Check Technician License is denied; a two (2) year probationary license shall be issued subject to the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; attend and successfully complete 120 hours of Clean Air Course. (10/06/97)

KIM, PHILLIP TAE YOUNG a.k.a. -

KIM, TAE YOUNG — Alameda

Order: Smog Check Technician License application denied. (09/16/97)

KIM'S SHELL SERVICE — Inglewood,

CHAN HO KIM, Owner; HYON KYU SHINN, Employee

Order: **Shinn** — Smog Check Technician License revoked; pay BAR \$3,436.42. (12/15/97)

MAIN AUTO REPAIR — Los Angeles,

MARIO AUGUIANO, Owner; JOSE RAMON SANCHEZ, Employee

Order: ARD registration permanently invalidated; Smog Check Station License revoked. **Sanchez** — Smog Check Technician License revoked. (10/27/97)

NEWBURY SMOG & TUNE — Newbury

Park, ALAVI MEHRDAD, Owner

Order: ARD registration invalidated; invalidation stayed; 5 years probation on the following conditions: 10-day suspension; obey laws and regulations; post a sign stating reasons for suspension; report to BAR quarterly; pay BAR \$7,141.79. Advanced Emission Specialist Technician License revoked; Smog Check Station License revoked. (11/24/97)

NIPOMO TIRE AUTOMOTIVE

Nipomo, RUDY HERNANDEZ, Owner

Order: ARD registration revoked; revocation stayed; 3 years probation on the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; report any financial interest in any auto repair facility; provide Bureau representatives unrestricted access to inspect all vehicles (including parts) undergoing repairs, up to and including the point of completion. Smog Check Station License revoked. (01/16/98)

ONE STOP AUTO REPAIR

South Gate, JESUS R. ROBLES, Partner/Employee; JESUS G. ROBLES, Partner

Order: ARD registration revoked; revocation stayed; 3 years probation on the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; report any financial interest in any auto repair facility; pay BAR \$4,142.44. Smog Check Station License revoked. **Jesus R. Robles** — Smog Check Technician License revoked. (10/27/97)

PACIFIC WEST SMOG — Hawthorne,

DONG CHUL CHA, Owner

Order: ARD permanently invalidated; Smog Check Station License revoked;

Smog Check Technician License revoked. (09/22/97)

PRO TRANSMISSION & AUTO REPAIR — Bellflower,

BRYAN HICHUL CHOI, Owner

Order: ARD registration and Smog Check Station License revoked. (12/01/97)

QUALITY AUTO CARE

Bell Gardens, DORA ELENA MIRANDA, Owner; MILCIADES ALBERTO

ALVARADO, Employee

Order: ARD registration permanently invalidated; Smog Check Station License revoked; Official Lamp & Brake Station License revoked. **Alvarado** — Official Lamp & Brake Adjuster license revoked. (10/27/97)

RIALTO TEXACO SERVICE — Rialto,

KAMAL FARHAN BATECH, Owner;

GARY DEAN TAVIS, Employee

Order: **Tavis** — Smog Check Technician License revoked. New license as advanced emission specialist technician may, however, be issued to respondent upon compliance in full with the requirements for licensure. Effective upon issuance, license shall be revoked; revocation stayed; 2 years probation on the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; report any financial interest in any auto repair facility; provide unrestricted access to inspect all vehicles; pay BAR \$700.00 (12/01/97)

RICHARDS SMOG & AUTO REPAIR

Olivehurst, RICHARD RONALD RILEY,

Partner; BRENDA SUE RILEY, Partner

Order: ARD registration and Smog Check Station License revoked; pay BAR \$13,823.57. (10/06/97)

ROBERTS, FLOYD PHILLIP

ILLFORD, a.k.a. ROBERTS, FLOYD

P.I.; d.b.a. MR. TUNEUP — Valencia

Order: Applications for registration as an Automotive Repair Dealer, and a Smog Check Station License for himself, doing business as Mr. Tuneup, are denied. (10/06/97)

SAL'S AUTO SERVICE — El Monte,

SALVADOR MORAN CORDERO, Owner

Order: ARD permanently invalidated;

Smog Check Station License revoked. (09/22/97)

SALAS, JOSE ALBERTO — Castroville

Order: Smog Check Technician License

revoked. (12/01/97)

SEVEN DAYS AUTO REPAIR &

SMOG CHECK — Garden Grove,

HUNG HUU NGUYEN, Owner

Order: ARD registration and Smog Check Station License revoked; revocation stayed; 3 years probation on the following conditions: 10 day suspension; obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; post a sign stating reasons for suspension; pay BAR \$3,000.00 (10/06/97)

SMOG N TUNE — Fresno
JUAN PEDRAZA — Owner

Order: ARD registration, Smog Check Station License, and Unlimited Qualified Mechanic License revoked; revocation stayed; 5 years probation on the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; report any financial interest in any auto repair facility; Smog Check Station suspended for 120 days; post a sign stating reasons for suspension; pay BAR \$3,219.00. (12/01/97)

SMOG PRO AUTOMOTIVE — Moorpark
ELDA E. AMAOUI, Owner
Order: ARD permanently invalidated; Smog Check Station License revoked; pay BAR \$3,658.20. (09/16/97)

SMOG PROS — Los Angeles
KYU JUNG LEE, Owner
Order: ARD registration and Smog Check Station License revoked; revocation stayed: 2 years probation on the following conditions: Smog Check Station License suspended for a period of twenty-five (25) days; post a sign stating reasons for suspension; obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; report any financial interest

in any auto repair facility; pay BAR \$3,000.00. (12/01/97)

SMOG PROS — Los Angeles
KYU JUNG LEE, Owner; RAMON S. PESINA, Employee
Order: **Pesina** — Smog Check Technician License revoked. (08/28/97)

SPEEDY SMOG CENTER — Inglewood
JIM HYON CHO, Owner (a.k.a. DOO HYON CHO)

Order: ARD registration and Smog Check Station License revoked; Smog Check Technician License revoked. (12/15/97)

TRAN, CONG VAN — West Covina
Order: Application for an Advanced Emission Specialist Technician license denied. (08/28/97)

WARNER SMOG — Huntington Beach
Order: ARD permanently invalidated; Smog Check Station License revoked. (09/22/97)

WEBSTER BP OIL — Alameda
YU KUK KIM, Partner/Employee; HELEN KIM, Partner; SONG S. KIM, Employee
Order: ARD registration/Smog Check Station License revoked; revocation stayed:

3 years probation on the following conditions: Smog Check Station License suspended for a period of thirty (30) days; post a sign stating reasons for suspension; obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; report any financial interest in any auto repair facility; **YU KUK KIM** — Smog Check Technician License revoked; revocation stayed: 3 years probation on the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; report to BAR quarterly; attend and successfully complete 120 hours of Clean Air Car Course; **SONG S. KIM** — Smog Check Technician License revoked; attend and successfully complete 120 hours of Clean Air Car Course. (10/06/97)

YIPS AUTO REPAIR — San Jose
MINH DIEP, Owner; SO DONG NGUYEN
Order: ARD registration revoked; revocation stayed: 3 years probation on the following conditions: obey laws and regulations; post a copy of this Decision After Reconsideration; report to BAR quarterly; report any financial interest in any auto repair facility; Smog Check Station License revoked; **SO DONG NGUYEN** — Smog Check Technician License revoked. (10/06/97)

SMOG CHECK STATION CITATIONS

Facility Name	Address	City	Zip	Lvl	Arc Number	Citation Number	Assess Amount	Assess Date	Date Mailed
B & G AUTO REPAIR	3375 E MIRA LOMA AVENUE	ANAHEIM	92806	1	AG140843E	980133	250	12/01/97	10/03/97
INSTANTUNE & LUBE	105 S STATE COLLEGE BLVD	ANAHEIM	92806	1	AB130621L	970228	250	03/05/97	02/04/97
INSTANTUNE & LUBE	105 S STATE COLLEGE BLVD	ANAHEIM	92806	1	AB130621M	980059	750	09/16/97	08/08/97
SMOG PROS	2445 E BALL RD	ANAHEIM	92806	1	AK156220G	980245	250	02/19/98	12/17/97
T & T AUTO REPAIR	301 N ANAHEIM BLVD	ANAHEIM	92805	1	AE178440	970115	250	11/18/96	10/03/96
T & T AUTO REPAIR	301 N ANAHEIM BLVD	ANAHEIM	92805	1	AE178440A	970225	750	04/10/97	02/04/97
TUNEUP MASTERS #028	1636 N LEMON ST	ANAHEIM	92801	1	ADO53164G	970248	250	04/28/97	02/28/97
SMOG PROS	7760 CRESCENT AVE	BUENA PARK	90620	1	AL121162G	980103	250	10/03/97	09/05/97
ATLAS DODGE CHRYSLER PLYMOUTH	2929 HARBOR BLVD	COSTA MESA	92626	1	AA001137A	980263	250	02/02/98	12/19/97
FERRARI SERVICE OF COSTA MESA	2148 NEWPORT BLVD #B	COSTA MESA	92627	1	AH185003	980409	250	04/27/98	03/24/98
MASTER AUTO SERVICES	3013 ENTERPRISE ST	COSTA MESA	92626	1	AB182572	970168	250	01/09/97	11/19/96
SMOG PROS	3201 HARBOR BLVD	COSTA MESA	92626	1	AJ180399	980271	250	02/23/98	12/19/97
SOUTH COAST TOYOTA VOLVO	1966 HARBOR BLVD	COSTA MESA	92627	1	AK185779	980429	250		04/16/98
CYPRESS AUTOMOTIVE	5431 LINCOLN AVE	CYPRESS	90630	1	AF147886C	980269	250		12/19/97
S & W AUTOMOTIVE	16650 HARBOR BLVD#B 16	FOUNTAIN VALLEY	92708	1	AG179311	980273	250	02/05/98	12/23/97
AUTO CHEK CENTERS INC	2340 E CHAPMAN AVE	FULLERTON	92631	1	AH141394F	970256	250	04/07/97	03/04/97
AUTO CHEK CENTERS INC	2340 E CHAPMAN AVE	FULLERTON	92631	1	AH141394G	980077	750	10/07/97	08/13/97
AUTO CLINIC	2551 E ORANGETHORPE AVE	FULLERTON	92631	1	AM129353K	970187	250	12/30/96	11/22/96
CHAMP AUTO REPAIRS	2751 W ORANGETHORPE AVE	FULLERTON	92833	1	AH190905	980107	250	10/08/97	09/05/97
GENES UNION SERVICE	1001 W ORANGETHORPE AVE	FULLERTON	92633	1	AA099789G	970244	250	04/28/97	02/27/97
HI TEK AUTO REPAIR	1735 W VALENCIA DR	FULLERTON	92633	1	AB122822K	970260	250	05/05/97	03/11/97
KINGS TIRE & CAR CARE	2507 W ORANGETHORPE #101	FULLERTON	92633	1	AM164167	970108	250	10/28/97	10/04/96
ORANGE COUNTY AUTO SMOG	511 S EUCLID AVE	FULLERTON	92632	1	AF160927A	980129	250	11/12/97	10/03/97
SMOG EXPRESS FULLERTON	1101 SOUTH EUCLID	FULLERTON	92632	1	AL143219I	970189	250	12/17/96	12/03/96
SONS AUTO CARE CENTRE	1800 W COMMONWEALTH	FULLERTON	92633	1	AG148429B	970128	250		10/11/96
ECONO LUBE N TUNE #6	9961 GARDEN GROVE BLVD	GARDEN GROVE	92644	1	AE188981	980261	250	03/02/98	12/19/97
HUNTINGTON BEACH SERVICE & SMO	17502 GOLDENWEST	HUNTINGTON BEAC	92647	1	AK180767	980439	250		04/28/98
TRI COUNTY TIRES & AUTO SERV C	19791 BEACH BLVD #A	HUNTINGTON BEAC	92648	1	AL150537B	980249	250	03/03/98	12/17/97
ZITOS AUTO CARE	19002 MAGNOLIA ST	HUNTINGTON BEAC	92646	1	AM092055G	980251	250	02/02/98	12/19/97
SUPER SMOG	51 AUTO CENTER DR #19B	IRVINE	92718	1	AB171113	970262	250	04/30/97	03/06/97
ALL TUNE AND LUBE	521 W IMPERIAL HWY	LA HABRA	90631	1	AH190833	970439	250	08/07/97	07/01/97
LA HABRA SUPER SHELL AUTO CENT	650 S BEACH BLVD	LA HABRA	90631	1	AF189665	970436	250	07/29/97	06/24/97
TONYS MOBIL SERVICE	1199 S BEACH BLVD	LA HABRA	90631	1	AK149684B	970432	250	07/10/97	06/24/97
DAVID J PHILLIPS BUICK PONT MA	24888 ALICIA PARKWAY	LAGUNA HILLS	92653	1	AB008205B	970234	250	03/05/97	02/07/97
LAKE FOREST TEXACO	23652 ROCKFIELD BLVD	LAKE FOREST	92630	1	AF167250A	970250	250	04/11/97	02/28/97
PURRFECT AUTO SERVICE #17	20732 LAKE FOREST DR B-1	LAKE FOREST	92630	1	AK174824A	970418	250	07/01/97	05/28/97
ABLE TRANSMISSION & RADIATOR	23720 VIA FABRICANTE	MISSION VIEJO	92691	3	AF147601G	980267	1,500	03/02/98	12/19/97
ABLE TRANSMISSION & RADIATOR	23720 VIA FABRICANTE	MISSION VIEJO	92691	1	AF147601F	970264	750	05/12/97	03/13/97
ACCU AUTO SERVICE	23253 MADERO #A104	MISSION VIEJO	92691	1	AG190161	970409	250	07/14/97	05/27/97
CROWN VALLEY AUTO SERVICE	27682 CROWN VALLEY PKWY	MISSION VIEJO	92691	1	AH179683	970135	250	11/12/96	10/15/96
ECONO LUBE N TUNE #214	25902 EL PASEO	MISSION VIEJO	92691	1	AJ180230	980265	250	02/10/98	12/19/97
MISSION VIEJO TIRE EMPORIUM	25800 JERONIMO RD #602	MISSION VIEJO	92691	1	AJ142427J	970133	250	11/14/96	10/22/96
CHAPMAN MOBIL SERVICE CENTER	1935 E CHAPMAN AVE	ORANGE	92867	1	AH134590F	980131	250		10/03/97
JOHNS AUTO SERVICE	705 W CHAPMAN AVE	ORANGE	92668	1	AE146954D	980247	250		12/17/97
M & S MOBIL	4502 E CHAPMAN AVE	ORANGE	92669	1	AB145276F	980385	250	04/21/98	03/04/98
ORANGE TEXACO SERVICE STATION	830 E KATELLA	ORANGE	92667	1	AE146907I	980063	250	09/08/97	08/08/97
PAULS AUTO REPAIR	190 S OLIVE	ORANGE	92666	1	AJ174807	980377	250	04/20/98	03/04/98
SMOG PROS	883 N TUSTIN AVE	ORANGE	92667	1	AL113991K	980111	250	10/02/97	09/17/97
THE TUNE UP CENTER	193 S MAIN ST	ORANGE	92868	1	AB137689D	970316	250	06/20/97	04/15/97
TOP TUNE AUTO REPAIR	904 W CHAPMAN	ORANGE	92668	1	AL181060	970314	250	05/27/97	04/15/97
TOP TUNE AUTO REPAIR	904 W CHAPMAN	ORANGE	92668	2	AL181060A	980241	750	02/20/98	12/17/98
SMOGPROS #515	102 E YORBA LINDA BLVD	PLACENTIA	92670	1	AD183567	980255	250	02/25/98	12/19/97



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Technician Advisory Committee Makes Recommendations



At a recent meeting at Mitsubishi Motors Corporation in Cypress, members of the BAR-created Technician Advisory Committee (TAC) recommended that one page of the BAR's monthly *Smog Check Advisory* be devoted to a repair scenario or diagnostic-related problem or issue that would benefit members of the industry.

The TAC agreed to choose the topics to be covered and to work with the industry at large to develop material for the articles, and BAR agreed to edit and publish the information.

The TAC also provided input on the 20-hour update course, which most had taken courtesy of TAC member and Mitsubishi trainer, Ellen Smith. Among other items, the TAC members are:

- developing a Smog Check failure database and web site;

- setting up some BAR-97 roadshows throughout the state; and,
- working with BAR's Education Advisory Committee (a group of public and private training providers) to improve California's automotive training program.

In other business, the TAC recommended three technical training manuals as excellent resource materials for technicians, including:

- Scan Tool Diagnostics for Domestic Vehicles;
- OBD II Diagnosis and Repair for Domestic Vehicles (1994-96); and
- Ford Electronics Engine Control Systems (1983-1997).

The manuals are available by calling Jendham, Inc. at 800-233-3182. ☎

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